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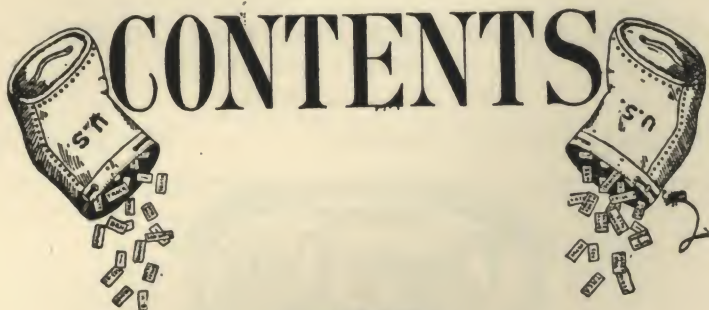
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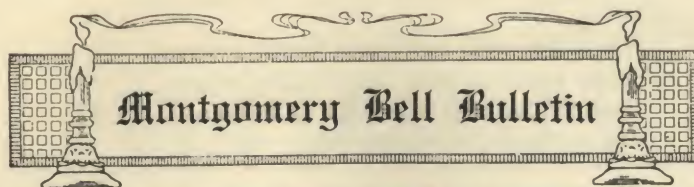
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## Totomoi

At chapel when the school was o'er,  
All trackless lay the new swept floor,  
And loud as thunder was the roar  
Of Donnan snoring peacefully.

But chapel saw another sight,  
When rang the bell with jangle light,  
Commanding us with grim delight  
To mount the stairs to misery.

Now roll call, and in fear we rest,  
And wish our name among the blest,  
Where time is not—Death to that pest  
Who writes it down so rigidly!

With trembling knees our time we hear,  
And nearly freeze with inward fear  
When sound reports to teachers dear,  
Please heaven that there be no more!

With crawling hands the hours pass,  
Ah me! Ah me! alack! alas!  
We shall not evermore amass  
Such hindrance to sweet liberty.

Then shake the steps with thunder riven,  
Then rush the boys, from study driven,  
And louder than the bolts of heaven  
Go footsteps falling rapidly.

Yet in our hearts we know with sorrow,  
'Twill all occur again tomorrow;  
But why from future trouble borrow?  
We've still enough to busy us.

But bluer yet our souls will be  
When at exams ourselves we see  
With papers absolutely free  
Of thoughts and staring vacantly.

The lessons deepen; on, ye brave,  
Who rush to glory or the grave!  
A "jack's" a thing that cannot save  
You from your own stupidity.

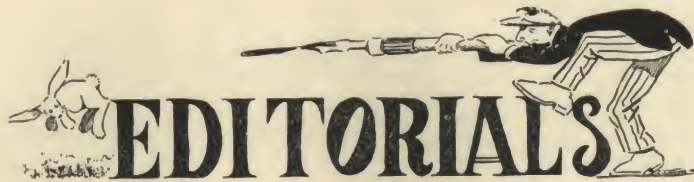
'Tis morn—yet scarce the amber beams  
Of sun can pierce where darkness teems,  
Where Furious Frank and Fiery Reams  
Shout in their sulph'rous canopy.

Few, few shall pass where many meet,  
Their shroud shall be the scratched time-sheet,  
The smelly lab. beneath their feet  
Shall be the student's sepulchre.

—MERRILL MOORE.

With all due apologies to Thomas Campbell.





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There is a story of a ship that was caught in a calm off the coast of South America, and after days of suffering from thirst another ship was sighted. Signals were exchanged and the new arrival came within hailing distance. "Water! Give us water!" cried the almost famished men. Back came the reply: "Dip in and drink, you lubbers; you're in the mouth of the Amazon."

There are a good many people who are always thinking of an oil well or a diamond mine that is going to be discovered on their place; all they do is to dream of it; consequently it is never discovered. The other fellow's fortune is not due to any such luck, he had to work for it.

But many of us are in the same fix in which the crew of the first ship was; we are famishing and yet there is relief near at hand. Don't be so interested in that million dollars you are going to make some day that you cannot see the gold mines near at hand. They are there all right; all you have to do is to develop them.

"The night is long that never finds the day."—Shakespeare. This doesn't mean that if things are in a bad shape for you everything will come out all right by your sitting still and doing nothing. You have to help that sort of night find the day.

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A quick temper is about the worst thing a fellow can have. We know of few things more disgusting than a fellow who is always taking offense at something and whose temper is so uncontrollable that he flies into a fit of rage at the slightest provocation.

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Did you pass? What did you make? These questions have been foremost among the numerous ones we hear asked of each other since the examinations. Stop and think seriously for a moment, fellows. Suppose you did not pass; do you realize that you have wasted seven precious months, literally thrown them away? What do you think would become of you and your family if your father "laid down" seven months out of every nine? Why you would probably starve unless he was very wealthy. So stop this shame; take a grip on yourselves and try, and make something of these next few months.

G. M.





Two new members of the BULLETIN staff are Charles M. Moss, Exchange Editor, and Owen Allen, Alumni Editor. They fill the vacancies left by the departure of Bromfield Nichol and Walter Friel.

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Among the new arrivals at the Academy are Charles Barham, Sydney Keeble, John Barksdale, Edgar Sperry, and Hamilton Love.

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McQuiddy (reading Vergil): "Then er-er, the man er-er-er—"

Mr. Ball: "Don't laugh, boys, to err is human."

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Will wonders never cease? When we heard Lowe whistling "The Vamp" we thought the eighth wonder of the world had come to pass; but when "Horse" Francis attempts to sing "Jelly Roll" in the Math Four class the time has come when sane men must speak.

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First Merchant: "Don't believe that new clerk of mine is honest."

Second Merchant: "You shouldn't judge people by appearances."

First Merchant: "I'm judging by disappearances in this case."

\* \* \*

"Duck" Roberts' recent attack of blues was due to the fact that he had a sign wrong in an algebra problem the other day.

Duke Donnan recently informed the members of the English Six class that Macbeth's head is brought upon the stage to show that he had been killed. Duke is to be congratulated on his remarkable solution of this mystery. He will also be charmed to tell anyone how "contributed" is pronounced.

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We should like to know who the school boxing champion is.

\* \* \*

Curtis was in an awful fix the other day—Mr. Cherry swiped a copy of the Argosy from him.

\* \* \*

With an airplane school almost next door to us we'll bet a slick dime that there will be more than one case of "rubber neck" developed among the students.

\* \* \*

There is a certain young man who sits in the upper hall during the seventh period and who tries his best to imitate a tom cat. We should like to know who that young man is, as we want to use his voice to scare a tom cat off our place.

\* \* \*

Gillespie (beginning his debate): "Mr. President, fellow judges, and honorable students—"

And then he wondered why everyone laughed.

\* \* \*

If there is anyone in the school who believes that the proverb, "A new broom sweeps clean," always holds true, we take pleasure in referring him to Blake.

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This old world we're a-livin' in  
Is mighty hard to beat;  
You get a thorn with ev'ry rose,  
But ain't the roses sweet?

\* \* \*

Charlie Moss is now affectionately known as Aviator Charlie, or the boy who seeks pleasure amidst the clouds.

Inquirer (at Union Station): "Where does this train go?"

Brakeman: "This train goes to Memphis in ten minutes."

Inquirer: "Gee whiz! that's going some."

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"John dear," wrote a lady from Nashville, "I enclose the hotel bill."

"Dear Jane, I enclose a check," wrote John in reply, "but please don't buy any more hotels at this price—they are robbing you."

\* \* \*

"I can't serve as a juror, judge. One look at that fellow convinces me he's guilty."

Judge: "Sh-h—that's the attorney for the State."

\* \* \*

Mrs. Ball: "Underwood, what about Fremont?"

Underwood: "Oh, yes, he married somebody's daughter."

Mrs. Ball: "Yes, Underwood, that's a habit some men have formed."

\* \* \*

Mr. Ball: "Brumbach, theme ready?"

Brumbach: "Haven't finished it, 'fesser."

Mr. Ball: "How much have you written?"

Brumbach: "Haven't started it yet."

\* \* \*

Mr. Caldwell (in Spelling): "Marshall, spell 'punctilious."

Marshall: "P-u-n-k—"

Mr. Caldwell: "Next; that's punk enough."

\* \* \*

We wonder why so many boys bring wild cherry charms to the Math Six class.

\* \* \*

Reggie Atkinson has suggested that Fifth Avenue be called "Chicken Pike."

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M. B. A., 38; B. G. A., 11, at Franklin, Jan. 27. First half 12-10 in favor of B. G. A. The last half was a walk-away. Minton was the star, scoring 17 of the 38 points.

M. B. A., 37; B. G. A., 14, Nashville, Feb. 4. There was never any doubt as to the result.

M. B. A., 39; Hume-Fogg, 26; Nashville, Jan. 29, Y. M. C. A. Gym. M. B. A. scored first when Srygley shot a beautiful goal. High School tied us then and we broke the tie. From then on the result was never in doubt. The superior teamwork and nearly flawless passing of the Academy team swept H.-F. off their feet. The first half ended in M. B. A.'s favor, 26-10. Then two subs., Cranche and Curtis, were given an opportunity. During the latter part H.-F. scored most, but in spite of their desperate rally they were unable to overcome M. B. A.'s lead. Srygley and Minton starred, the latter scoring 17 points.

M. B. A., 33; Castle Heights, 22, Nashville, Feb. 6, "Y" Gym. The game was hard fought from start to finish. Srygley starred for M. B. A. with Campbell for C. H. This was the eleventh straight victory for our team.

M. B. A., 21; C. M. A., 14, Nashville, Feb. 13. Although the prevalent opinion was that M. B. A. would yield to the fast C. M. A. team, the score most thoroughly upset the dope.

M. B. A., 26; CASTLE HEIGHTS, 27.

This game, played at Lebanon, Feb. 12, was very fast and exciting to the end, and resulted in Castle Heights leading by one point.

M. B. A., 22; HUME-FOGG, 25.

Nashville, Feb. 20. This was the second defeat of the season for M. B. A. The result made it necessary to play another game in the City Championship series.

M. B. A., 40; Peabody, 13, Peabody Gym. By this game Peabody was put entirely out of the running for the City Championship. Srygley was the star of the game.

M. B. A., 35; Central High, 13, Nashville "Y" Gym, March 3. This was the second defeat Central High received at our hands. Minton's guard work was the most notable feature of the game.

M. B. A., 22; FITZGERALD & CLARK 29.

The team met its third and last defeat when it played F. & C. This was the hardest game of the season. Credit is due both teams for their fine playing.

M. B. A., 25; HUME-FOGG, 19.

M. B. A. ended its season in a most fitting manner by defeating H.-F., March 5, in the "Y" Gym and winning the City Championship. Both teams played their best. There was standing room only that night, and not much of that—the biggest crowd perhaps that ever attended a basketball game in Nashville. Line-up:

M. B. A.	H.-F. H. S.
Brown . . . . . Forward . . . . .	Coverdale
Srygley . . . . . Forward . . . . .	Reeves
Brumbach . . . . . Center . . . . .	Foster
Thompson . . . . . Guard . . . . .	Feldkircher
Minton . . . . . Guard . . . . .	Perkins

A very successful basketball season is over and baseball is on. Prospects are bright. A good team is promised with Srygley as manager and Kuhn as captain. Those already out are Srygley, Kuhn (both last year's men), Brown, Minton, Riggle, Graves, Greener, Barham, Curtis and Brumbach.

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#### LOCALS

(Continued from Page 11)

✓ Curtis: (boarding crowded street car): "Do you think we can squeeze in here?"

His Beloved: "Yes; but don't you think we had better wait until we get home?"

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Mr. Cherry (giving lesson in Math. 5): "Take the first four examples and work six."





We have received good reports from M. B. A. boys at Vanderbilt, Sewanee, and many other universities. Two of the best reports are from Ed Robertson, '19, who is at Auburn, and Henry McCall, '19, who is at Vanderbilt. These two boys, following up their work at M. B. A., made exceptionally good grades. Not one out of the many M. B. A. boys entering numerous colleges in the fall of 1919 has been withdrawn for failure to maintain the standard. This is a fine record. Alumni, keep it up.

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We received a letter from Edmund Payne, '19, who is in Washington University at St. Louis, Mo. He writes that he is getting along well and making splendid grades. He says he wishes he had been at M. B. A. four years instead of one. I think this is the wish of every M. B. A. alumnus who attended only a year or two.

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Bromfield Nichol, our former exchange editor, is in Calvert School, at Annapolis, Md., preparing to enter the United States Naval Academy.

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Howard Reeves, who recently left school, is taking a course at Falls' Business College.

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Douglas Ezell has left school to accept a position with Phillips-Chapman & Co. of Nashville.

Carney Hooten, '18, now has a position with Carney, Johnson & Co., of this city.

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Henry C. Gillespie, '19, has left the University of Virginia and entered Vanderbilt to prepare for Tech. course.

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Wallace Murray, '16, is now connected with the Robertson Auto Supply Company of Birmingham.

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Harris Hubbs, '19, is taking a business course this year.

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Perry Sawyer is farming.

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Claude E. Jackson, '19, who was Business Manager of the BULLETIN last year, has a position in the freight department of the N., C. & St. L. Railway.

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Jack Hager, '16, is now one of the mainstays on Yale's pitching force.

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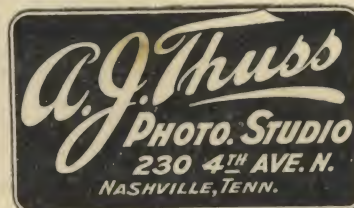
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